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Ad Hoc Stone Building Feasibility/Reuse Committee

TOWN CLERK

LEXINGTON MA

Town of Lexington, MA

March 24, 2022 8:00 AM

AGENDA

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1. Roll Call & Reading of Statement on Use of Virtual Meetings

2. Approval of Minutes (March 17, 2022)

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS & GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. STONE BUILDING REUSE PROPOSAL 2008 (see also: LHC Operational Concepts)

The Library Board of Trustees approved “Lexington Heritage Center” (2/1209), but requested a more fully developed plan. The *LHC Preliminary Operating Principles & Timeline* (3/23/09) laid out work that needs to be done, and possible members for a Board of Directors

a. Recommended Uses:

- i. “Lexington Heritage Center” (LHC)
- ii. Mission to include collaboration for historical preservation, education and research related to Lexington.
- iii. Space for small-sized meetings and functions (some invoking a Facility User Fee)
- iv. Permanent and rotating exhibits on aspects of both East Lexington & Lexington
- v. Permanent display of history of the Stone Building and aspects of life in the “East Village” days + exhibition space for celebration of Lexington’s 300th anniversary
- vi. Reading room where interested browsers, researchers, and tourists, can discover holdings and resources on local and family history.
- vii. Open to the public during regularly scheduled hours (TBD), and by appointment
- viii. Amenities to include small kitchen space, restrooms, air conditioning, appropriate lighting, WIFI, etc.

b. **Recommended Requirements:**

- i. Town government as governing authority - with research into a private nonprofit or quasi-public structure as the long-term governing authority
- ii. Staffed by volunteers, with governing oversight by such stakeholders as the Town Clerk/Archives, Cary Library, Historical Society, Historical Commission, and Follen Church.
- iii. Managed by a part-time staff/Director
- iv. Building renovations as outlined in “HKT report, Option 1” that retains the building’s origins character, and amenities to include small kitchen space, restrooms, air conditioning, appropriate lighting, WIFI, etc.
- v. Business plan that allocates funding for post-flood building restoration, and operating costs for a part-time director and building utilities. Additional revenue to be sought to cover costs include grants, fundraising, and promotion of Lexington ephemera.
- vi. Strategic plan to further identify the scope of services and organizational structure to be completed during the building’s rehabilitation and restoration.

5. STONE BUILDING FEASIBILITY & REUSE FINAL REPORT - update

- a. How our report would be different from the 2008 report: who is responsible for what
- b. Status - Findings Section
 - Investigating uses for the Stone Building
 - **Listening Forums** - Major points pulled out from forums, proposals, meetings with town departments, and committee visioning (CAROLYN & MELINDA)
 - **Meetings & conversations**
 - Concept ratings - benefit/fit vision matrix (MARK)
 - **Proposals**
 - Determining feasibility and market demand for possible uses
 - **Case Studies** - major themes (MEG & MELINDA)
 - **Market demand** (JEFF & LES ... this needs to be done yet!)

6. FINAL COMMUNITY FORUM

- a. Date
- b. Information to review, and information to gather

7. Adjournment